



# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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FROM: Donald L. Wolfe  
Acting Director of Public Works

### **EMERGENCY DECLARATION TO REPAIR DAMAGED ROAD AND FLOOD CONTROL FACILITIES DUE TO EARLY JANUARY 2005 RAINSTORMS**

On January 25, 2005, your Board made a finding that an emergency situation existed that required immediate measures be undertaken to repair damage to County roads and flood control facilities throughout the County to restore access to residents and businesses and to minimize the risk of additional flood damage from future storms.

The status of the Emergency Contracts is as follows:

1. Public Works has been aggressive in negotiating and executing contracts on behalf of the County to procure the necessary equipment, services, and supplies to perform repairs to County roads and flood control facilities.
2. Of the 138 total road closures as a result of the January storms, only 9 unincorporated County roads remain completely closed with 10 remaining partially closed.
3. Removal of sediment from critically full debris basins and inlets and repairs to essential flood control facilities are nearing completion. Sediment removal activities from Winery Debris Basin, Brand Debris Basin, Private Drain 2049 Castaic Mustang, Private Drain 1920 Castaic Roybal, and Private Drain 2275 Castaic Victoria have been completed with Public Works forces. Private Drain 2275 Castaic Victoria is 60 percent complete.

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Although significant progress has been made, the following locations, on the original list of work to be completed through emergency contracting, cannot be simply replaced in-kind and requires a significant design effort.

1. Las Flores Canyon Road (\$3.7 million)
2. San Francisquito Canyon Road (\$6.6 million)
3. Schueren Road, south of Saddle Peak (\$7.0 million)
4. Tapia Canyon Road (\$1.8 million)

We, therefore, recommend that your Board determine that there is still a need to continue this emergency action and that the Executive Officer continue to place this item on the agenda for Board review every 14 days in accordance with Public Contract Code Section 22050.

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cc: Chief Administrative Officer  
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